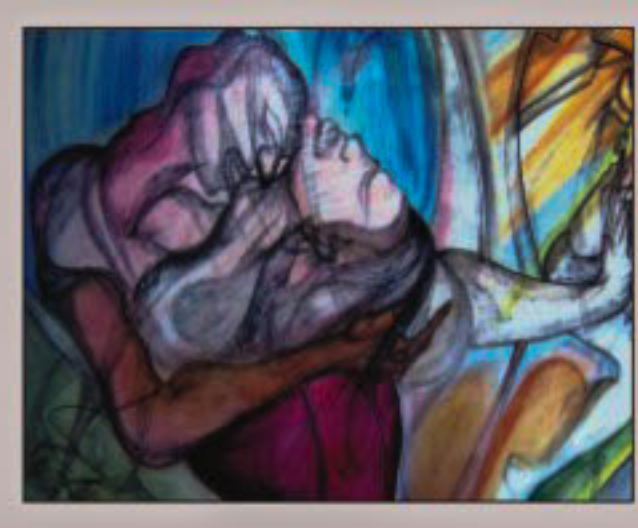


## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Solo Painting Exhibition**  
**Title:** Tear the Skin of Reality  
**Artist:** Javed Jalil  
**Venue:** La Galerie, Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** January 21-February 2  
**Time:** 3-9pm, 9am-12pm & 5-8pm (Fridays and Saturdays)



**Photography Exhibition**  
**Title:** Ghum  
**Photographer:** Bakin Rabbi  
**Venue:** Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, 26 Mirpur Rd, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** January 23-February 5



**National Poetry Festival**  
**Organiser:** Jatiyo Kabita Parishad  
**Venue:** TSC premises, Dhaka University  
**Date:** February 1-2  
**Time:** 10am onwards



**Film Screening**  
**Organiser:** Dhaka University Film Society  
**Venue:** Goethe-Institut Bangladesh, H 10, Rd 9, Dhanmondi  
**Date:** February 2-3  
**Time:** 3pm onwards



# "Photography is silent music"

-- Chanchal Mahmood

**NUSRAT JAHAN PRITOM**  
 His first ever box of paint is kept neatly on his right. Some old brushes to his left. The soft sound of music pervades the room. Everything in Chanchal Mahmood's office reflects what he is and what he wants from life. "I live every moment," says the eminent photographer. A photo-shoot just near the corner, his assistant's jamming the keys at work. A flag, given to him by Bangabandhu at one side. At one corner it's written, "Photography is silent music" (his quote). A flag of the Brazilian football team at another corner. Volumes of encyclopaedias and research works just on his desk. And many other souvenirs that lock the memories of the past, also near him, just in this cosy office.

slave, even by giving you what you want. I love myself and my work. I am truly happy for this reason and most importantly I love my country," he asserts.  
 When there was a trend for the sons of prominent personalities to become either doctors or engineers, the late Basiruddin Ahmed, refuted the norms, wanting to become a painter instead. Painting! Nobody had even thought of this as a profession. And despite his requests and attempts to get admitted to the Art College, he found himself stuck studying political science. However, his son Chanchal was to pursue his dreams. Like his favourite personalities, Che Guevara and Fidel Castro, he was also to revolutionise the traditional concepts of photography in Bangladesh.

had become of his rebellious son. It was curiously his father who had handed him his first camera, something that he has stored as a treasure and

phered here because of the lack of initiatives, materials, education and degrees," he says. He still loves black and white photography, which he adds

encouraged him towards photography. Chanchal says that he loves teaching and that he loves his students. "There are college students, housewives, university professors, professionals, teenagers, et al. The unity is rather interesting, but the bond all the more, as these people are united through their passion for photography. Photography has so much power, it can change the world," he says. Everyone has a commitment, he believes, towards the disadvantaged and with that view in mind, Chanchal donates to a free school for street kids and he also takes care of 17 orphans. "How can we forget our duties towards the Freedom Fighters?" he questions. The photographer has arranged for the livelihood of four such distressed heroes.



Chanchal Mahmood

cherishes it. Chanchal had understood the value of striving to struggle, and its outcome in time. "Although the scene has changed, yet it is quite tough to be a professional photogra-

with dismay, is eroding. "I didn't become a painter but I now paint with light." It was the famous cartoonist Rafiqun Nabi, and some more well wishers like actor Afzal and artist Hashem Khan who

## Journey to stardom

### Mehazabien on her Lux Channel i Superstar win

MAINUL HASSAN

Mehazabien Chowdhury from Chittagong is the new Lux Channel i Superstar. The graceful young woman was declared winner on January 22 at the grand finale of 'Lux Channel i Superstar 2009', held at Bangabandhu International Convention Centre.  
 The journey to stardom has been arduous for Mehazabien. "Constant challenges and difficulties, where each and every contestant was tested to the ultimate," is how she describes it.  
 "When my name was announced as the winner, I went completely blank for two/three seconds as I simply couldn't believe what I was hearing; it took me a few seconds to get over it," said Mehazabien, recalling her crowning moment.  
 Though born in Bangladesh, Mehazabien was raised in Muscat, Oman. "Because of my father's work my parents had to move to Muscat when I was about one year old," said Mehazabien.  
 "As I grew up, I discovered a fascination towards acting. I used to take part in the cultural programmes at school. Teachers inspired and encouraged me to attend the school programmes regularly.  
 "The biggest support came from my family, which was very important in those formative years. As I grew up, my parents' support helped me to become more confident in my approach.  
 "From the age of 13, I started working as a model for the *Times of Oman* and continued till I moved to Bangladesh in 2007.  
 "When I first heard of the Lux Channel i Superstar contest I was fascinated to learn that a pageant of such calibre is held in our country. I wanted to take part at the contest immediately but as one has to be at least 18 years old to enter the contest, I did not qualify.  
 "As I turned 18 in 2009, I was able to take part in the contest. On October 13, 2009, while I was going to my tutor, I changed my mind and went straight to the auditions," said Mehazabien, who is currently doing her A-Levels.

"At the auditions I faced Shihab Shaheen and Farah Ruma," Mehazabien continued. Recalling her days at the grooming camp, Mehazabien said, "I learned a lot at the camp. I attended special classes on catwalk, acting, dancing, verbal and communication skills and more to bring the out best in the contestants. "The things I have learned at the camp will continue to play a major role in developing my



Mehazabien Chowdhury

acting career in the future." Sharing her future plans, Mehazabien said, "I want to develop my career as a successful actress; currently I am looking forward to my upcoming film and the scholarship I won as part of the award."  
 Mehazabien was awarded a brand new car, a scholarship to attend acting school and a film contract as part of the Lux Channel i Superstar Award.



All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

## On Air

- ATN BANGLA**  
 09:15 Drama Serial: Jolkona  
 10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
 11:40 Boimela Protidin  
 12:15 Shonali Shadakalo  
 12:30 SA Games T-20 Cricket Tournament  
 05:15 SA Games Cycling  
 05:20 Obiraam Bangladesh  
 06:15 Kathamala  
 08:00 Drama Serial: Chirodin-er Katha  
 08:45 Drama Serial: Tomato Ketchup  
 09:20 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey  
 11:30 Drama Serial: Hothat Shimantey  
 Grameenphone Lead News  
**CHANNEL i**  
 News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 pm  
 Jonopad-er Khobor: 5:15 pm  
**ATN BANGLA**  
 NEWS (Bangla): 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am  
 News Every Hour: 7:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm, 01:00pm, 3:00pm, 04:00pm  
 News (English): 9:00 am, 6:00 pm  
 Gram-Ganjor Khobor: 5:00 pm  
**BANGLAVISION**  
 News (Bangla) at 7:30am, 1:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm.  
 News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00am, 12:00am, 4:00pm  
 News (English) at 6:00pm  
**Rtv**  
 News (Bangla): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am  
**ntv**  
 News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am  
**ETV**  
 News (Bangla): 9:00am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm  
**abc radio**  
 News: 08:00 am, 12:00 pm, 03:00 pm, 06:00 pm, 09:00 pm, 12:00 am;  
 English Bulletin: 1:30pm, 7:30pm  
**RADIO TODAY**  
 News: 08:45 am, 01:45pm, 06:45pm, 09:45pm, 11:45pm

- 04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Achhey Bolaar Achhey  
 05:30 Apnaar Jigyasha  
 06:10 Shubho Shondhya  
 06:45 Crime Watch  
 08:15 Drama Serial: Mamuli Ekta Manush  
 09:00 Glamour World  
 09:45 Drama Serial: Manush Bodol  
 11:30 Boi Boshontey  
 11:40 Crime Watch  
 12:00 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy  
**ETV**  
 08:30 Ekusher Shokaal  
 09:30 Drama Serial: Lolita  
 10:02 O Bondhu Amar  
 10:50 Financial Bulletin  
 11:30 Ekusher Business  
 02:30 Ekusher Chokh  
 03:30 Drama  
 04:30 Elating Belating  
 05:25 Binodon-er Bishwa  
 05:45 Sports Plus  
 08:20 Drama Serial: Poster

- DESH TV**  
 12:15 Dur Paath  
 04:30 Bazarey Notun  
 05:02 Cartoon  
 05:30 Baati Ghar  
 06:02 Boimela  
 07:45 Binodon Dunia  
 08:15 Drama Serial: Jolpori  
 09:45 Drama Serial: Phirey Phirey Ashi  
 10:30 Total Sports  
 11:45 Shoja Katha  
**BANGLAVISION**  
 09:00 Drama Serial: Rang-er Dunia  
 10:10 Sports Time  
 11:35 Cookery Show: Amader Rannaghar  
 12:30 Housing Barta  
 01:30 Drama Serial: Khoj  
 02:40 Drama Serial: Babar Hotel  
 03:00 SA Games (Hockey): Bangladesh Vs Pakistan  
 05:25 Unnoyoney Bangladesh

- ZEE STUDIO**  
 08:30 Scream  
 11:00 The Basketball Diaries  
 01:30 Madame Bovary 2  
 03:15 Casanova  
 05:40 Get shortly on Campus  
 07:20 Cassandra's Dream  
 09:30 The Pacifier  
 11:40 Little Fish  
**HBO**  
 08:45 The Core  
 11:30 Feb '10: HBO Central (SA)  
 12:00 The Perfect Man  
 12:30 Hollywood One On One 72  
 02:30 Speed Racer  
 05:15 Death Warrant  
 07:00 Nancy Drew  
 09:00 Tmz 161  
 09:30 Rush Hour 3  
 11:15 The Core  
**STAR MOVIES**  
 08:20 She's The One  
 10:15 Horton Hears a Who!

- 11:00 BBC World News  
 11:30 World Business Report  
 11:45 BBC World News  
 12:00 BBC World News  
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 12:45 BBC World News  
 01:00 BBC World News  
 01:30 World Business Report  
 01:45 Sport Today  
 02:00 BBC World News  
 02:30 World Business Report  
 02:45 Sport Today  
 03:00 BBC World News  
 03:30 HARDtalk (r)  
 04:00 BBC World News  
 04:30 BBC World News  
 05:00 BBC World News  
 05:30 World Business Report  
 05:45 Sport Today  
 06:00 GMT with George Alagiah  
 07:00 Impact Asia with Mishaal Husain  
 08:30 World Business Report  
 08:45 Sport Today  
 09:00 BBC World News  
 09:30 HARDtalk (r)

- 1945: Chechen Extremism  
 Life and Death in Rome: Sex and the Imperial City  
 03:30 80 Wonders of The World: Mexico to America  
 04:45 Vertical City: Triumph Palace, Moscow  
 05:30 The History of Our Planet: Volcano  
 06:30 Deadliest Warrior: William Wallace vs. Shaka Zulu  
 07:30 The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes: A Scandal in Bohemia  
 08:30 The History of Our Planet: Ice  
 09:30 Hitler's Bodyguard: Jewish and Emigré attempts to kill Hitler  
 10:30 Unearthed: Destination Mars: Episode 2  
 11:30 Crusoe: Episode 11  
**ESPN**  
 07:30 Kiana's Flex Appeal  
 08:00 Winter X Games Eleven  
 Classix: Best Of 2007  
 09:00 BBC Archives 2005-06 India Legends 6  
 10:00 FIG - World Cup  
 12:30 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Sunderland vs. Stoke City  
 02:30 Rolex 24 At Daytona (Part 2)  
 04:30 Football Focus Transfer Window Special  
 03:30 Premier League Highlights  
 06:30 Winter X Games Eleven  
 Classix: Best Of 2007  
 07:30 Final Score  
 08:00 Simply The Best  
 08:30 Sportscenter India  
 09:00 Sportscenter Asia  
 09:30 Premier League Highlights  
 10:30 Sportscenter India  
 11:00 Sportscenter Asia  
 11:30 World Of Gymnastics  
 12:00 Simply The Best  
**STAR SPORTS**  
 09:00 TNA Xplosion 09/10  
 10:00 Behind The Baseline  
 10:30 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Fulham vs. Aston Villa  
 12:30 Australian Open 2010, Presented By KIA Motors  
 Behind The Baseline  
 02:00 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Birmingham City vs. Tottenham Hotspur  
 04:30 TNA Xplosion 09/10  
 05:30 Hitz 09/10  
 06:00 Pull Series 4 #1  
 06:30 TNA Impact 09/10  
 08:30 Goodyear Formula Drift Malaysia 2009  
 09:30 Score Tonight  
 10:00 TNA Impact 09/10  
 12:00 Australian Open 2010, Presented By KIA Motors

**Bangladesh Vs Pakistan Hockey match**  
 Live on Banglavisation at 3:00 pm

**abc radio FM 89.2**  
 06:00 Bhorer Janalay  
 09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney  
 12:00 Darun Dupurey  
 03:00 Duranto Bikeley  
 05:00 Shondhalara  
 07:00 Shajer Maya  
 09:00 Rasi-er Akashay  
 11:00 Golper Shesh Nei  
**RADIO FOORTI 88.0 FM**  
 07:30 Hello Dhaka  
 10:00 Morning Express  
 12:00 My Time  
 01:00 No Tension  
 04:00 Dhaka Calling  
 09:00 Night Rider  
 01:00 Back to Back music  
**RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM**  
 07:15 Good Morning Dhaka  
 11:00 Musti Unlimited  
 01:00 Today's Adda  
 04:00 U Turn  
 08:00 Tobey Tai Hok  
 11:00 Raat Bhor Gaan  
 12:00 Today's Happy Moments

**Cassandra's dream**  
 On Zee Studio at 7:20 pm

- 09:30 Drama Serial: Zahurali Zahuri  
 10:10 Talk Show: Golpo Solpo Gaan  
**Rtv**  
 08:00 Ei Din  
 09:00 Drishyokalpo  
 10:45 Taroka Alap  
 11:30 Share Update  
 12:30 Crime Focus  
 02:03 Bangla Feature Film  
 06:03 Protidin  
 06:45 Nari O Nokhyotro  
 07:45 Road To Democracy  
 09:25 Reality Show: Black Horse  
 RTV Golden Key  
 11:30 Very Filmy

- 06:05 Ebong Classer Bairey  
 06:40 Point of Order  
 08:15 Drama Serial: Babar Hotel  
 09:05 Banglavisation Top Ten  
 09:45 Drama Serial: Diba Raatri  
 Khola Thakey  
 Raat Biraatey  
**DIGANTA TV**  
 08:15 Shubarno Shokal  
 12:30 Score Cards  
 06:05 Das Diganta  
 08:05 Desh Mohadesh  
 09:25 Cookery Show  
 11:05 Diganta Shaniap

- 11:35 1408  
 01:40 Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade  
 04:05 Meet The Spartans  
 05:50 Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back  
 07:40 Pulse I  
 09:30 The Condemned  
**BBC WORLD**  
 08:00 BBC World News  
 08:30 Asia Business Report  
 08:45 Asia Today (r)  
 09:00 BBC World News  
 09:30 Asia Business Report  
 09:45 Asia Today (r)  
 10:00 BBC World News  
 10:30 HARDtalk

- 10:00 The Hub with Nik Gowling  
 11:30 World Business Report  
 11:45 Sport Today  
**FOX HISTORY & ENTERTAINMENT**  
 09:30 The Cult of the Suicide Bomber - Part III: Episode 1  
 10:30 Deadliest Warrior: William Wallace vs. Shaka Zulu  
 11:30 Creative Vision  
 12:30 Hitler's Bodyguard: How Hitler's Bodyguard Worked  
 01:30 International Terrorism Since 1945: The Taliban  
 02:00 International Terrorism Since